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Campus leaders discuss university topics

JACOB MAYER
Daily Egyptian

Four leaders at the university stopped by the DAILY EGYPTIAN for a round table to discuss strengths of the university, where the university stands and where it is headed in the future.

Panelists included Interim Provost Don Rice; Director of Saluki First Year Mark Amos; Chair of Africana Studies Father Joseph Brown; and Undergraduate Student Government Vice President Jarvis Freeman. SIUC Chancellor Rita Cheng and USG President Marcus King were invited to take part in the discussion, but both were unable to attend. For full coverage, please see online video at DAILYEGYPTIAN.COM.

What are some of the strengths of the university right now?

Amos: I think the personnel we have on campus is the greatest asset that we have as a campus. I think we have highly trained, well-respected faculty. We have professional staff. We have caring individuals all across campus. I think that is really at the core of what we do.

Freeman: I think the biggest strength we have right now is our location. We're located along where a lot of states meet. Also, we're located the farthest from Chicago and (are) still a major institution. We give kids from the inner city a chance to get away from the city, but also to experience the Illinois education and prices.

Brown: The quality of the community, and the community cares on this campus, is a major plus. I think, also, we have been building in the last year or so. ... People are really, seriously talking about, 'How

do we keep people here and help them graduate successfully?' and that's a very positive thing.

Rice: We have marvelous faculty and students. Our faculty fulfill every nuance of the term 'a teaching

scholar.' (They are) very passionate about what they do, whether it's their art, their scholarship, their bench science. And they have the ability to take that to the classroom and try to get students excited.

How can the university build on those strengths?

Rice: I think we are doing a number of things right now that are critically important, and they have to do with recruitment and retention of students. ... We do have the need to rethink our gen-

eral education program and to try to help students take care of their general education requirements early.

Brown: One of the things that I've been pushing for a long time,

and I think it's coming closer now, is the institution of the general expectation of mid-term grades for freshman and sophomores, if not all students.

Amos: We're also working on creating a network of peer mentors, of developing students and offering leadership courses to help students step to the floor and mentor students.

Brown: People who are coming from disconnected or alienated, previous environments need to have people who take an active interest because if I don't know what I don't know, how am I going to learn it? I'm going to be judged and graded on ignorance, and that's not the same thing as being unwilling or abstinent about learning. If we do more of that, we're going to see almost immediate positive responses, I think.

Rice: Often folks have said that Carbondale has a familial sense to it, and I think we are increasing that.

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What would help the university with the building process?

Brown: We need to have the resources on hand to turn our culture, our society and our world over to the best and the brightest coming here. ... What resources do we need? A commitment that teaching, service and research are all equally important; that the people who

actually control or misuse our financial resources are called into account to dream the dreams of the young people.

Rice: Part of what we need is a predictability of resources. We know what higher education means to us and to our students. I'm not sure that we know what the legislators think. Regardless of what they think, we need to have some understanding that higher education needs the support of the state if they fully intend to have a meaningful workforce and a meaningful group of citizens.

Freeman: I think a problem with the university is service. It's not the whole university service system, but certain things frustrate students. ... When people have trouble with their financial aid, with bursar accounts and not being able to even drop a class ... that's when people start getting frustrated; that's when things really start getting bad and that's when the word of the school gets smashed.

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EDYTA BLASZCZYK | DAILY EGYPTIAN

Interim Provost Don Rice, left, and Chair of Africana Studies Father Joseph Brown gather with Director of Saluki First Year Mark Amos and USG Vice President Jarvis Freeman

to discuss issues involving the university, including its strengths, where it can improve, and what direction it is heading in the future in the DAILY EGYPTIAN conference room.

What direction is the university headed? How does it get there?

Rice: We have always touted ourselves as being student-centered. That's going to be much more visible and much more open. ... I think we'll have a different budget model than we are working with now.

Brown: We have got to understand that an increasingly complex, diverse, multicultural world is standing

at the door or coming down the street. How do we deal with that? Curriculum, good faculty and a commitment to taking risks.

Amos: We're going to need to expand our reach because of where we are. We're in a beautiful area, but we're not in the easiest area to get to so we are going to need to be going to

other places, whether that be electronically, interactively or to send our folks out on the road to teach on other campuses, all of which we do now to some extent, but we're really going to need to grow that technology component.

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Freeman: I think we can im-

prove by having more Living Learning Communities, where students actually live together, live with people of their major.

Rice: We're having more demand for our Living Learning Communities than we actually have places to have them.

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Rice: You're absolutely right, and it shows in the figures we've been looking at recently on people who do leave the university.

For example, looking at fall '09 - spring '10, as many as 60 percent of the students who have left the university have left in good standing, that means they have the GPA to continue and graduate, but they're either frustrated because

they can't get the kind of help they need when they are dealing with a bursar hold or when they are dealing with some other kind of hold. ... I think it is improving. Can we do better? Of course we can do better - absolutely.

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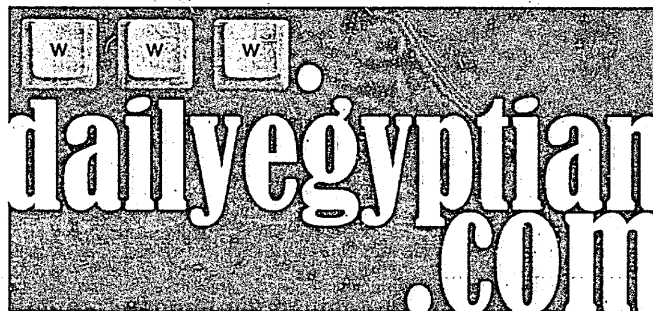
Rice: If you want to make a bet on anything about the institution in five years or more, we will have a much broader reach.

Freeman: I hear a lot of opposition to Sakui Way. It's among the students. Unfortunately, that's the type of thing this school needs. It needs to be beautified. It needs to have a

newer face. (University of Illinois) is not better than SIU; I don't think it is. I think we produce just as many top-notch people. But the thing is, when you step on the campus, people get that perception, and perception is what people see as quality.

Rice: We are doing two things now in terms of review on the campus. One is just the whole issue of branding. How do we present ourselves so that people know we don't

just have a dog, or set of dogs, running around, but that we are a serious academic institution with very high aspirations. ... The second thing is the profile of the student. ... That student profile needs to be made exclusive in a place where parents can see it, students can see it, faculty can see it, and then we attempt to work toward that student profile both in services and also in what their outcomes were.





STEVE BERGCZYNSKI | DAILY EGYPTIAN

Ben Hostetler, a senior from Evergreen Park studying Journalism, and Katie Lenza, an undeclared graduate student from Evergreen Park, mourn the loss of their friend Dan Seidl at a memorial service Sunday at the Boys and Girls Club in Carbondale. "You couldn't say anything bad about him. He made people smile and was just an awesome person," Lenza said. Seidl

passed away Sept. 19 at the Memorial Hospital of Carbondale after falling from a roof. "He wanted to help those around him succeed in fulfilling their dreams. What Dan brought to all he knew in the short time that he lived was sincere generosity and spirit and we thank him for sharing that valuable lesson with us," Chancellor Rita Cheng said.

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Witness describes 'hell' at NJ party shooting

BETH DEFALCO
The Associated Press

6 The next thing I knew I opened my eyes n saw hell..blood n just panic.

EAST ORANGE, N.J. — A Seton Hall University student who attended an off-campus house party at which five people were shot said the gunman stood on her back as she lay on the floor and didn't appear to be targeting anyone during the chaos she described as "hell."

"He was just shooting he had no intended target," said a text message from the woman, whose friend was the only person killed.

The woman spoke Sunday by BlackBerry instant messenger on condition of anonymity because she feared for her safety while the shooter remained at large. She said she was too upset to talk over the phone.

She described the Friday night party, which lasted into early Saturday, as a "typical fraternity party" with at least 100 people at the privately owned row house.

Students said the shooter was "kicked out of the party when he refused to pay the cover charge."

The woman said she heard a fight erupt before the man was thrown out. Seconds later, she said, he returned with a handgun and started shooting as chaos erupted.

"Everyone was scrambling n stampeding. People were jumping out the two windows n all I could smell was smoke n blood," the woman wrote. "The next thing I knew I opened my eyes n saw hell.. blood n just panic."

The woman said was on the floor when the gunman stepped on her back and shot her friend Jessica Moore, a 19-year-old honors student majoring in psychology. Moore, who was from Disputanta, Va., died later at a hospital.

Authorities had not released the names of the four wounded people, whose injuries weren't considered life-threatening.

Two of the injured are 19-year-old women who go to Seton Hall, and one is a 25-year-old man who attends the New Jersey Institute of Technology. The other is a 20-year-old man from New York who is not a student.

East Orange police were following several leads but had not identified a suspect, spokesman Andrew Di Elm said.

On Sunday, police had set up an electronic sign, the kind usually used to tell drivers of detours, to ask for help solving the house party shooting, which occurred just after midnight. The message advertised a \$10,000 reward for information leading to an arrest.

The party was primarily for students at Seton Hall, a well-regarded Roman Catholic university with a gated campus in South Orange, about 15 miles from New York City. There are no sanctioned fraternities at Seton Hall and no

— Seton Hall University student fraternity houses.

The university, with its collection of red brick buildings tucked behind a wrought-iron fence, stands in stark contrast to the gritty neighborhood where the party was held a mile away, just a block from the shooting site, the remains of a memorial for another recent shooting victim could still be seen.

There were at least five shootings in the area this summer, said Rabu Anderson, who owns a clothing store there.

"Some of it is gang violence, some of it is just plain ignorance," Anderson said.

East Orange resident Levin Drinks, who lives four doors down from the house where the party occurred, said the violence was "some much worse in the past few years. He said just after the last six shots — not a common sound on South Street."

"I kinda laid low for a minute, then I heard the stampee of people on this side of the street and that side of the street," said Drinks, 54. "People were running in driveways and alleys trying to get out of the mess."

Seton Hall, which has 10,000 students, knows about the dangers in some of the neighborhoods nearby and advises students not to leave campus alone.

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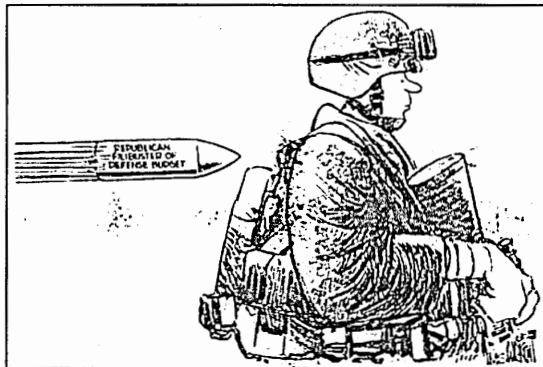
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GUEST COLUMN

War-mongering U.S. should focus on prisoner release in Iran

James Anderson

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Rather than hypocritical saber-rattling about war motives and nuclear armament, the United States needs to press for — in as diplomatic a way as possible — the release of the Americans held by Iranian authorities for more than a year.

Sarah Shourd, Shane Bauer and Josh Fattal were taken into custody when they allegedly crossed the border into Iran while on a recreational hike. Shourd was released Sept. 14, but her fiancé, Bauer, and their friend Fattal remain wrongfully imprisoned on charges of illegal entry and espionage.

All three are noted social justice activists. According to <http://freethinkers.org>, the website devoted to securing the hikers' freedom, their desire to travel and encounter different cultures is what brought them to Iraq, which is where they were staying when they went on the hike that ended in their unjust captivity. Accusations that any of the three were involved in espionage are absurd, as are the arguments for U.S. military aggression against Iran proffered by crackpot pundits and political figures here at home.

That we should threaten Iran and consider a preemptive attack against the country is about as illogical and illegal, as is Iran continuing to detain Bauer and Fattal. Yes, Iran is a repressive nation with a poor human rights record, but so is Saudi Arabia, who we just brokered a massive arms deal with. And yes, I am sure Iran would very much like

to develop or acquire nuclear weapons, but the International Atomic Energy Agency has yet to discover any evidence it is doing so. They are, as signers of the nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty, entitled to lawful enrichment of uranium.

Of course, there are other countries in the region that we support, such as Israel, that can't be bothered with signing documents that help ensure the survival of our species and make no efforts to conceal their possession and proliferation of weapons with destructive — by which I mean obliterating — capabilities.

Furthermore, Iranian President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad is probably not crazy. Again, he could very well be a potentially dangerous narcissist with a haughty disdain for the hegemonic practices of other nations, but the same

could be said of just about any leader of any country that ever existed. His anti-American hubris aside, I seriously doubt he would risk being wiped off the map by attacking a military power like the United States or its Middle East allies.

So, instead of attempting to frighten the American people into supporting another ill-conceived offensive based on hawkish pretensions, our politicians should peacefully negotiate the release of the two Americans held in Iran on seemingly bogus charges.

Under extremely adverse conditions, Bauer proposed to Shourd using a piece of thread as a makeshift engagement ring. Bauer's romantic gesture exemplifies the irrepressible human spirit and unifying capacity for love that those in positions of power could learn from.

I'm not suggesting President Barack Obama and Ahmadinejad engage in effusive overtures involving bended knees and symbolic loops of string, but a little less insinuation of force and violence and a little more empathy, understanding and, at the very least, respect for human life would be nice.

Our leaders need to stop with the war-mongering and start with the sensible talks to bring all the hikers home and prevent the unnecessary turn to organized violence that has become the de rigueur focus of irresponsible international policy rhetoric these days. After all, isn't the thought of a united Bauer and Shourd at the altar a much more beautiful image than that of a massive mushroom cloud explosion resulting from an avoidable military confrontation?

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

NPR programming a frustration, embarrassment

DEAR EDITOR:

I have listened to the recent enthusiasm for National Public Radio with difficulty. The programs "All Things Considered" and "Morning Edition" have become venues for advertisement with only enough news to satisfy the uncritical listener.

I timed segments of the morning program Sept. 20. Of the total 60 minutes following 7 a.m., only 24 minutes were devoted to national news, and 10 minutes to local and state news. Most egregious was a seven-minute segment allotted to an NPR employee and author whose book is now for sale.

At the end of the hour, seven

more minutes were given to a producer of pop music. I had to listen to samples of Britney Spears, Kesha, Katy Perry, Kelly Clarkson and Miley Cyrus. From my perspective, this music is insipid and puerile. Yet NPR continues to promote those musicians' livelihoods and the profits of their producers.

Even if you like these singers, their efforts do not constitute "news." The interviewed record producer himself said, "Radio drives artists' careers." It is obvious that NPR, like other media venues, has become involved in a huge profit-driven enterprise.

It would be better if the government produced these outlets of in-

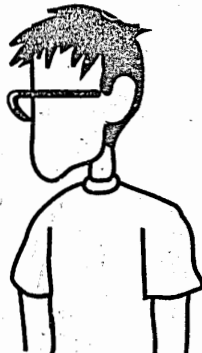
formation, much in the manner of England's BBC. Watch BBC News and compare the content to American news programs. Our "news" concerns the latest book for sale, or the sale of CDs.

Television "news" is punctuated by advertisements for questionable medicines, sales driven with meager information, subverting the doctor-patient relationship. You the listener are being duped sheep-like. When I listen to the "news," I want to hear news, not advertisements for cultural themes that are non-representative of a thinking citizen.

Christopher S. Turner
graduate student in anthropology

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Noche de Gala brings campus, community together

CHEYENNE ADAMS
Daily Egyptian

Live salsa music and twirling dresses filled the room as people danced and socialized Friday at Noche de Gala.

The Gala is in its ninth year running as one of multiple events for SIU's celebration of Latino Heritage Month. The free and open to the public event took place from 8 p.m. to 11 p.m. in the Student Center.

Salsa dancing and music were the night's highlights. For those who were unacquainted with salsa dancing, free lessons were offered from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. Wednesday in the Student Center.

Rodolpho Godinez Jr., a junior from Chicago studying finance and president of Sigma Lambda Beta, said he has attended the event since his freshman year. He said Sigma Lambda Beta helped organize the event with Susan Coriasco, deputy director of the Student Center, and the Hispanic Student Council.

Coriasco said because of Noche de Gala's success, there could be a similar event for family weekend that would be open to the public. She said she works with a number of organizations to host events celebrating diversity, and that Noche de Gala was no exception to the benefits cultural events offer.

"It not only celebrates, it educates," she said. "It educates for the public, but it celebrates for the members of the organizations as well."

It was a great opportunity for members of the community and the campus to mingle in an alcohol-free environment and have a good time, she said.

Coriasco said it is important for the community as well as students to experience the different events such as Noche de Gala. She said approximately 400 people attend the event on average, with at least 25 percent of those in attendance being members of the community.

Godinez said Noche de Gala offers a fun environment for people to dance, hang out and relieve stress.

"It's a lot of different cultures in one night," he said.

Solomon Hailu, a graduate student in biochemistry from Africa, offers regular salsa lessons at the Recreation Center and Longbranch Cafe. Hailu said he enjoys Noche de Gala because it brings so many different cultures together with one commonality.

"They are only SIU Salukis at that point," he said.

When the event first started, Co-

It's a lot of different cultures in one night.

— Rodolpho Godinez Jr., president of Sigma Lambda Beta

riasco said she suggested charging admission, but a member of Sigma Phi Epsilon who initially inspired the event just wanted people to enjoy the night and see what it was. Since then, it has been free.

"It has been a very successful program," she said.

Although security measures were taken, Godinez said the event had much less security than in previous years because there have never been security issues. Sigma Lambda Beta is usually required to meet certain criteria, but these were lessened for this year's event, he said.

Word of mouth plays a large role in the community attendance, Coriasco said.

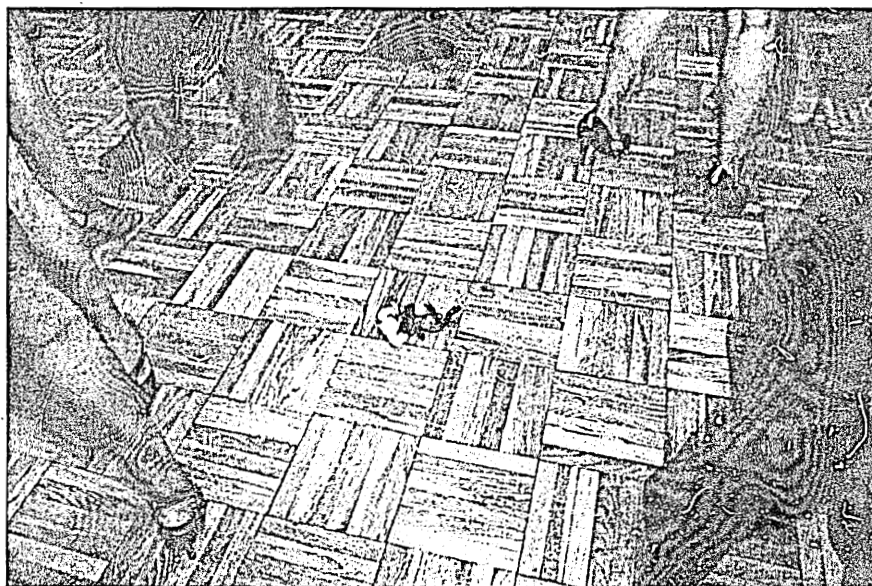
"This is the ninth year we've done Noche de Gala," she said. "We've got a really good reputation."

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Aur Beck, a Pomona resident and host of Salsa Night at Longbranch, dances with Megan Pulliam, a graduate student in public administration from Chatham, Friday during the ninth annual "Noche de Gala" in the Student Center Ballroom. The free event was sponsored by Sigma Lambda Beta Fraternity and was put on as part of the Latino Heritage Month, which ends Oct. 23.



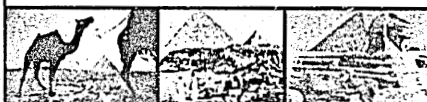
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Students and community members celebrate Latino Heritage Month at the ninth annual "Noche de Gala" event Friday in the Student Center Ballroom. According to Susan Coriasco, deputy

director for the Student Center, the event brings an average of 400 people every year, and more than 25 percent of the attendees are members of the community.

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Gubernatorial candidates' campaigns leave higher education funding certain

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The issues facing higher education have been left in the shadows by Illinois' governor candidates, as they have chosen to emphasize jobs, the economy and corruption, said Collin Hitt, director of education policy at the Illinois Policy Institute.

The next governor will have the responsibility to improve college students' ability to graduate and get in-state jobs, but education has not been a campaign issue thus far in the race, Hitt said.

"You have to be very concerned about the ability of a young man or woman from Illinois to stay in-state and get a well-paying job," Hitt said. "However, the next



(governor), as with any governor, is going to have the opportunity to change that."

Sheila Simon, Democratic candidate for lieutenant governor, said one of the most significant issues facing higher education is to make sure the universities get payments the state owes them.

Republican governor candidate Bill Brady is proposing a 10 percent budget cut across the board, which would mean \$1.26 billion from education, and Gov.

Quinn is proposing a 1 percent-age point income tax increase that would raise \$2.8 billion toward education in general, Simon said.

"I run into people all across the state who say, if you can show us some accountability that this money is going to go to education, then I want to do my share," Simon said.

Sanjeev Kumar, president of SIUC's Faculty Senate, said he believes a lack of government support and an exponential increase in the cost of education has caused America to lose its edge as a global leader of higher education. A cut in money for academics should be the last thing on anyone's mind, Kumar said.

"If (a) tax increase is the only way to support our academic mis-

sion, I am for it," he said.

Patty Schuh, spokesperson for Brady, said Sen. Brady has represented Illinois State University, which is in his legislative district, and is appalled by the lack of support it receives from the state.

"As governor, I will work to create a strong jobs climate in Illinois and create an environment that encourages businesses to invest in Illinois and our communities. It's that strong economy that will help create jobs for college students," Brady said.

Marcus King, president of the Undergraduate Student Government, said he tries to be optimistic about both governor candidates' plans for education but thinks Quinn is more likely to fund higher education.

"If (Brady) comes into office and doesn't have higher education on his mind, what's going to end up happening is other things will pop up and he's not going to have time to care," King said.

King said he speaks for students when he says funding for the Monetary Award Program grant is one of the most important issues, and it's about to become underfunded again.

"Education is about to get to the point where it's not affordable, and I think we're at that point right now; people aren't going to be able to stay in college," King said.

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Faculty, students examine social networks as news sources

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John Jackson said the way young voters search for information on political candidates has changed dramatically since the 2008 presidential election.

President Barack Obama's Internet-driven campaign strategy that year, which involved sending campaign updates via text message as well as communicating through social networking sites such as Facebook, isn't as effective in a non-presidential year, said Jackson, visiting professor at the Paul Simon Public Policy Institute.

He said young voters should not rely solely on social networking sites to find information on candidates for the 2010 general election.

"If you want unbiased, hard news, you have to look elsewhere," he said.

Obama's campaigning methods underscored how crucial it was for candidates to use the Internet to communicate with young voters, but campaigns must also use other avenues to get messages across, Jackson said.

Sam Nylen, president of SIUC College Democrats, said despite the fact there are more legitimate news sources other than social networking sites, young voters will choose the more accessible option.

He said young voters should use social networking sites to

their advantage with this year's election.

"Candidates can have all their information available to people in one place, from their stance on issues and all the jobs they've had to upcoming events," he said.

Nylen said the social networking sites' legitimacy depends on how an individual takes in the information.

"Sites such as Facebook and Twitter allow candidates to sell themselves the way they want to be sold," he said. "There's no oversight to filter what's truth and what's fiction. Readers have to gauge that for themselves."

He said most individuals vote based on word of mouth from friends or family, similar to how a social networking site functions. Travis Strobach, president of SIUC College Republicans, said the social networking hype in the 2008 presidential election is not necessarily the same for the 2010 election.

"(Social networking) worked for students already engaged in the presidential election," he said. "For this general election, most young voters are not as charged up."

In the 2008 election, 23 percent used social networking sites to get candidate or campaign information, 16 percent started or joined a political cause or group and 12 percent signed up as a friend of one or more candidates, according to a report by

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the Pew Research Center.

Phil Habel, assistant professor in political science, said he thinks not as many people will use social networking sites to get information about candidates for the 2010 non-presidential election.

He said young voters should use national and local newspapers, whether online or print, as a source

for information on candidates.

"It links to modern technology, there are oftentimes links to the candidate's official website at the end of the article to follow up and find more resources," he said.

Strobach said if young voters want to become more involved with the election online, users should join both sides of the discussion.

"There is not one news source with an unbiased view," he said.

"You have to distinguish for yourself what is true based on your values, and bring it all together to make a decision on your own."

Strobach said students should look at all sides of an issue by reading conservative, liberal, green

and other parties' blogs online.

Jackson said voters are more likely to read sources that reinforce their beliefs rather than seeking out both sides of the issue.

Habel said although social networking sites play a large role in the way young voters get information during elections, those types of sites tend to circulate information usually when there is fervor and excitement.

"At the end of the day, you can't just rely on a social network as a news source for this election," he said.

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Quinn announces \$100 million for transportation

The Associated Press

CHICAGO — Gov. Pat Quinn announced \$100 million in capital funding Friday to help local governments repair potholes, repave roads and replace traffic signals.

Quinn, flanked by mayors from across the state, said the money can help create jobs and spur economic development.

"We want to make sure that Illi-

nois is the transportation capital of the United States," Quinn said. "That's our lifeblood... for jobs. We can have lots of jobs if we have good transportation."

Officials estimated the money will create more than 1,000 short-term and permanent jobs.

The mayors said the infusion of cash will help them finish road projects and other construction before winter starts and costs go up. For example, costs for pouring concrete increase during the

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winter because it has to be heated.

The money will be distributed to local governments using the same formula that's used for the Illinois Motor Fuel Tax. The \$100 million will boost the regular distribution of the fuel tax

by 17 percent. The current investment is the first of five installments, Quinn said.

He referred to the money as "money from heaven."

Springfield Mayor Tim Davlin said he was pleasantly surprised by the

funding and noted that while people typically associate road construction with interstate, 88 percent of all Illinois roads are local.

Channahon Mayor Joe Cook called the condition of local roads "a quality of life issue."

"It's fixing the roads and putting people to work, but it's more than that," Cook said. "It's making sure our children get on the buses to school safely or safe local roads."



PROTESTER: SOLDIERS USED IN WAR Norma Wheeler, 90, of Marion protests Saturday with local chapter of the Peace Coalition in Carbondale. Wheeler has visited the intersection of South Illinois Avenue and Route 13 from noon to 1 p.m. every Saturday to protest the wars in the Middle East. "The evidence against what this country has done is humiliating," she said, naming Progressive Magazine for revealing "all the things this country has done illegally." When asked if she supported the troops despite not supporting the war, she replied, "Well of course, of course. They are used."

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WASHINGTON

White House, top Democrats expect to extend middle-class tax cut in vote after fall election

WASHINGTON — The White House and Democratic leaders in Congress said Sunday they would find a way to extend middle-class tax cuts after the November elections, unable to secure GOP backing before lawmakers break to campaign.

"One way or the other, we're going to get it done. And I believe the pressure is going to build among the American people," said David Axelrod, President Barack Obama's top political aide.

House Speaker Nancy Pelosi, D-Calif., had suggested that a vote could be held this coming week before lawmakers leave town for the elections. But her deputy, Majority Leader Steny Hoyer of Maryland, said Sunday that holding a vote wouldn't matter because the legislation is still languishing in the Senate under GOP objections.

Both parties are using the delay in a vote on the fate of these George W. Bush-era cuts at a time of record deficits as political ammunition this election season.

Democratic leaders have said they want to freeze tax rates for individuals making up to \$200,000 and for families earning up to \$250,000. Republicans, as well as some more conservative Democrats, want to extend all of Bush's income tax cuts permanently, even for the wealthiest of Americans.

CALIFORNIA

Pot legalization measure exposes California's conflicted relationship with the drug it popularized

SAN FRANCISCO — California has a long history of defying conventional wisdom on the issue of marijuana, including its embrace of the drug in the 1960s and its landmark medical pot law 14 years ago. So it may not be all that surprising that a November ballot measure to legalize the drug has created some odd alliances and scenarios.

Pot growers have opposed it. Some police have favored it. Polls show the public is deeply divided. Only politicians have lined up as expected: Nearly all major party candidates oppose the measure. And hanging over the whole debate is the fact that marijuana remains illegal under federal law.

As the Nov. 2 election nears, Proposition 19 has become about much more than the pros and cons of the drug itself. The campaigns have framed the vote as a referendum on everything from jobs and taxes to crime and the environment.

The measure gained ground in a Field Poll released Sunday, pulling ahead 49 percent to 42 percent among likely voters. The poll also found that Californians have become steadily more permissive toward the drug since pollsters began quizzing state residents about their attitudes 40 years ago.

GEORGIA

Flock cheers Ga. megachurch pastor as he vows to fight sex allegations like David vs. Goliath

LITHONIA — Casting himself as the Bible's ultimate underdog, Bishop Eddie Long went before thousands of faithful supporters at his megachurch Sunday and promised to fight accusations that he lured four young men into sexual relationships.

"I feel like David against Goliath. But I got five rocks, and I haven't thrown one yet," Long said in his first public remarks since his accusers filed lawsuits last week claiming he abused his "spiritual authority." He stopped short of denying the allegations but implied he was wronged by them.

"I have never in my life portrayed myself as a perfect man. But I am not the man that's being portrayed on the television. That's not me. That is not me," he said.

Long's brief addresses to the congregation at New Birth Missionary Baptist Church were met with thunderous applause and an outpouring of support during services that were equal parts part rock concert and pep rally. The sanctuary was nearly filled to its 10,000-seat capacity for both the 8 a.m. and 11 a.m. services. Many lined up two hours before the doors of the church opened.

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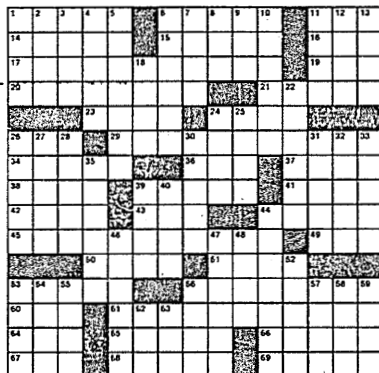


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First lady before
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Revolutionary
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High rollers
Pin for hanging
Election losers
Observing
Musical scale unit
Morales of
"Jencho"
Duped person
Do as I say, not
as I do speakers
Deal in stocks
Simpson's partner
Actor Brad
Thinker Descartes
Like the house
this puzzle's
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a pretty woman
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Beethoven
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birth
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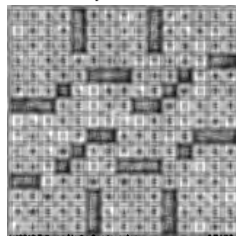
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8 Boston's pronoun
9 Automobile
10 Crotch-to-ankle
pants measure
11 Native Arizonans
12 Flow pullers
13 Vero's
circumnavigator
Phineas
18 "I could
horse!"
22 "Yahoo!"
24 Big VIP
25 Went down like a
stone
26 Like a house
destroyed by this
puzzle's subject
27 "Am not!" retort
28 Group of judges
30 Idle and Clapton
31 Actress: Palmer

32 Code of conduct
33 See 26-Down
clue
35 Overwhelm with
noise
39 German road
40 MLB scoring
stats
44 Stick up again
46 Live — one's
means
47 The "T" in NATO
48 Forsaken

Thursday's Puzzle Solved



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Horoscopes

By Nancy Black and Stephanie Clement

Today's birthday — You feel the need to expand and/or use personal resources in new ways this year. You develop intelligent plans that hold promise of success based upon your own best efforts and not on the promises of others. Cultivate an alternate income source.

Aries (March 21-April 19) — Today is a 6 — Unless you agree on details with someone close, you both end up fussing with neither one of you happy. You may have to go more than halfway.

Taurus (April 20-May 20) — Today is a 5 — A male in your environment is anxious to provide for you. Let him supply food and drink while you continue to work. Don't interrupt the idea flow.

Gemini (May 21-June 21) — Today is a 5 — You need to take care of practical matters before taking on any team activities. That way, there's no stress buildup. Clean something.

Cancer (June 22-July 22) — Today is a 5 — You could spend the entire day considering a gift for someone special. Or you could join the group, get down to business and get the job done.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22) — Today is a 5 — A female associate inspires your passions through an invitation. Make sure you understand the appropriate dress code. Then you can relax and enjoy the company.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — Today is a 6 — Invite people over for some serious fun. You choose the game. Give someone else the opportunity to plan the menu. Use paper plates.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) — Today is a 7 — Instead of frantically soring through possibilities, take direct action. Physical movement reduces stress and allows you to reach a conclusion.

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) — Today is a 6 — A female tells you how to achieve greater comfort in a relationship. Don't fuss about the facts. Just follow her advice for best results.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) — Today is a 5 — Everyone puts their heads together to revise previously completed work. You're comfortable with just watching. Serve drinks and treats.

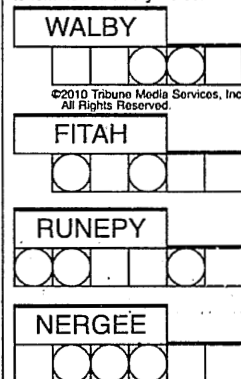
Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — Today is a 7 — You need for creative expression to be fulfilled through a group activity. At first you doubt this could be possible, but give it a chance.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) — Today is a 7 — Today is a 7 — Plan a romantic moment. Keep all the details secret until you're sure about the venue and the guest list. Trust someone with experience to help.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20) — Today is a 7 — A couple you haven't seen in a long time issues an invitation for quite soon. Shuffle your schedule and make reservations immediately.

JUMBLE

Unscramble these four Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.



Ans: " " " " " "

(Answers tomorrow)

Thursday's Jumbles: AHEAD DECAY UNCURL EASILY
Answers Answer: What the crew chief feared when he went online — A "CRASH"

THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME

by Mike Argirion and Jeff Knurak



Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

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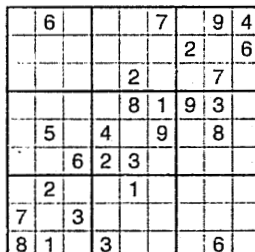
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SUDOKU

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Complete the grid so each row, column and 3-by-3 box in bold borders contains every digit 1 to 9. For strategies on how to solve Sudoku, visit www.sudoku.org.uk.



FRIDAY'S ANSWERS

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Daily Bark

After its upset loss to SEMO Sept. 18, SIU football dropped from No. 6 in the FCS coaches' poll to No. 13. Will the Salukis' loss to Youngstown State on Saturday drop them out of the FCS rankings completely?

Yes. Until the Salukis show off their talented players and play up to the high standards the community, staff and players know they are capable of, not only will they go unranked but they'll continue to fail at closing out games.



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Rankings are absolutely meaningless, but that doesn't change the fact that this team is painfully under-performing. SIU needs to play all four quarters Saturday at Illinois State to keep their conference championship hopes alive.



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I agree with Johnson. Rankings are useless, but the Dawgs are playing like they're the Give-a-Win-Discount store open every Saturday. It's all about baby steps; get a second win first.



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from the Pound

After the fourth week of the NCAA football season, there are 18 undefeated teams ranked in the top 25, including last year's national champions Alabama, Ohio State and Boise State. If these three teams remain undefeated, Boise State will not be in the BCS game. It is possible for a team ranked lower than the Broncos to pass them in coming weeks. Get out the magic ball and make an early prediction: will Boise State be in the big game?

Instead of just spewing our own useless opinions and thoughts, we at the DE Sports Desk thought it would be a good idea to give you, the reader, a forum to discuss various sports topics throughout the week. Each day, we pose a different question for you, and we'll choose the three best reader responses to publish in the paper the next day, alongside a brand new question for that day.

Our first try at this didn't go so well [we got 0 submissions], so let's see if there's really anyone who cares out there. Please submit all responses to njohnson@dailyegyptian.com. The best three answers will be published in Tuesday's edition, along with another question to answer.

MEN'S GOLF

Early slump sets tone for Dawgs

RYAN SIMONIN
Daily Egyptian

Senior golfer David Griffin shot a field-best 68 in the first round of the John Dailio Memorial tournament Saturday in Lemont, but the rest of the Salukis struggled to find their stroke early as they finished 10th out of 13 teams.

Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis took first place with a team score of 890 followed by Florida Gulf Coast University (892) and University of Detroit Mercy (901) in second and third place, respectively.

Griffin, who finished ninth individually, said it felt good to finish in the top ten, but the team needs to get back to the fundamentals and play golf at its capability level.

"It is nice to finally feel like I am playing more of where I should be," Griffin said. "We all know we can shoot low numbers but we got out

there in a tournament and we think we have to press really hard instead of just letting it happen."

After his first round, Griffin continued to lead the Salukis as he carded a 79 and 74 in his final two rounds. Sophomore Jeff Miller tied for 45th place individually as he posted a three-round score of 235. Three strokes behind Miller in a tie for 51st place was sophomore Brandon Caldwell with a score of 238.

Rounding out the scoring for the Salukis was sophomore Jake Erickson (240) and junior Jamie Stocks (247) who finished 56th and 67th respectively.

Erickson said the tournament showed how much work the team still has left to do. He said the team had trouble in its first nine holes of play, which set the tone for the rest of the tournament.

"We got off to a real bad start and we can't really do that in these tournaments. You got to come out

and play from the get go and when you are too far behind, you are too far behind and there is no coming back," Erickson said.

Coach Leroy Newton said he was disappointed with the team's score and the team needs to put forth more effort in practice.

Newton said the team has work to do before the Weibring Intercollegiate, which starts Sunday. He said the team will see strong competition in the tournament as the Salukis compete with Illinois State University and the University of Illinois.

"I would like for the team to take it as a personal challenge to be ahead of a certain number of players from the big schools. If they personally want to beat everybody they possibly can, then we are going to do fine as a team," Newton said.

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PENGUIN

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The Salukis were still ranked No. 13 in the FCS after an upset loss to SEMO Sept. 18, and they looked like a nationally-ranked team after the first quarter Saturday at Stambaugh Stadium.

The defense and special teams created turnovers and Dicker led a scoring drive as the Salukis jumped out to a 14-0 lead over the Penguins.

YSU then turned two Dicker turnovers a fumble and an interception, into two more touchdown passes to take a 21-14 halftime lead.

With SIU down 31-14 in the fourth, Dicker brought SIU to within three points when he scrambled for a touchdown and threw another after the Salukis recovered an onside kick with just over a minute remaining in

the game.

Lennon announced Dicker as his starting quarterback minutes before the game. Against SEMO Sept. 18, Dicker started the game one for six passing with an interception, prompting Lennon to replace him with sophomore Paul McIntosh, who followed with 76 yards and a touchdown. Dicker was put back into the game to run the two-minute offense with SIU behind late, but threw an interception.

McIntosh did not play Saturday against YSU.

Dicker finished the YSU game 24 of 42 passing for 258 yards, two touchdowns and two interceptions.

"We have that never give up mentality. We believe in ourselves and tried to come back. It was just too little, too late," Dicker said.

Lennon said he was proud of the

way his team came back.

"You never want to give up and just lie down. We gave it a shot at the end and we had a chance," Lennon said. "That's something that tells you a little bit about the nature of a football team."

SIU has been taking lessons from each of its three straight losses, he said.

"Right now we'd be a work in progress," Lennon said. "I think we can still get better, I think we can still develop the type of game that we're going to need to win some football games. That's very encouraging, it's just disappointing that we had to get to that point."

The Salukis continue conference play Saturday at Illinois State University. Kickoff is set for 1 p.m.

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CROSS COUNTRY

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Both cross country teams were able to finish strong and place a majority of their runners in top finishes because of their familiarity with the course, Sparks said.

"They know how far they are from the next mile marker and how far they have to go when they come off a corner. They know there's 200 meters or 300 meters to go whereas the visitors aren't sure where they are at any point in the course," Sparks said.

The men's team ran the first four miles of the race in a pack, Dunbar said.

"One guy from Washington (University) took it out and they went out very conservatively and we used it to get our legs under us and build up our race pace," sophomore Lucas Cherry said.

He said the team didn't come out too aggressively because they wanted to use the race as a workout in preparation for their bigger invite in Louisville on Saturday.

"It gave guys like Dan and Neal confidence to be out front and finish strong but didn't finish exhausted," Sparks said.

Both teams will practice lighter

We've still yet to see how good of shape we're actually in. This coming weekend at Louisville is a real good indicator of how fit we actually are.

— Dan Dunbar
senior cross country runner

this week so they don't overexert themselves before Louisville, Dunbar said.

"That's always advantageous, to train on your home course and run on your home course," Sparks said.

The Salukis' biggest challenge Saturday will be to maintain endurance and confidence to push through the middle part of the race, Cherry said.

"Basically what's going to happen is your legs are going to go dead, and you just have to know that it's not really going to get any worse and you just got to keep fighting through it," Dunbar said. "That's really going to be the toughest thing."

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VOLLEYBALL

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"We play in such a hard conference. If we don't have all of those, we're not going to win," Yeager said.

One area where the Salukis were able to perform well was defense, Winkler said. Yeager and senior outside hitter Jennifer Berwanger led the team with 18 and 16 digs, respectively, as the team was prepared well for the Aces' offensive attack, Winkler said. The Salukis had 11 more digs and one more block than the Aces.

Yeager said the team was already recording a high number of digs, but once Winkler

changed to a perimeter defense, the Salukis recorded more. A perimeter defense shifts the position players closer to the sideline, she said.

But good defense wasn't enough for the Salukis to overcome their errors, Winkler said.

"When SIU has more hitting mistakes then (Evansville) have total mistakes, it doesn't work out so well," she said.

The Salukis next match is at 7 p.m. Saturday in Peoria against Bradley University.

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CROSS COUNTRY

Salukis stride to victory at home

BRANDON COLEMAN
Daily Egyptian

The Saluki cross country teams strode to nine top-seven finishes in their first meet of the season at the Saluki Invitational on Saturday, coach Matt Sparks said.

Seniors Dan Dunbar and Emily Toennies led the men's and women's teams respectively to first-place finishes at the invitational. The Salukis claimed five of seven top spots on the men's side and captured four of the top six spots on the women's side.

Dunbar said the men's team packed together to start the race and ran at a moderate pace before picking up their intensity during the last two miles. They won't be afforded that luxury as they hope to beat a 40 to 50 team field Saturday in the Greater Louisville Classic, he said.

"We've still yet to see how good of shape we're actually in," Dunbar said. "This coming weekend at Louisville is a real good indicator of how fit we actually are."

Sparks said he's still yet to decide on a definite fifth slot runner for the women's side but can't complain about either team's performance.

"You can never complain when you win," Sparks said.

Toennies and fellow senior Megan Hoelscher finished first and second in the women's 5k while Dunbar and junior Neal Anderson finished first and second in the men's race.

Junior Kristian Baldwin, who finished 23rd out of 64, improved the most of the women on the team, Sparks said.

"(Baldwin) just has to get confident that she can run where Eileen (Schweiss) is running," Sparks said.

As junior Shanthi Blanchard and sophomore Kelsey Kaiser, who finished 22nd and 27th, continue to move up, the women's team should be more comfortable competing against tougher runners later in the season.



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Senior Dan Dunbar crosses the finish line with a winning time of 25 minutes, 29.6 seconds to lead the Saluki men to an overall first-place finish during the Saluki Invitational on

Saturday behind Abe Martin Field. The Saluki women also placed first overall and were led by senior Emily Toennies, who won with a time of 18 minutes, 9.7 seconds.

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FOOTBALL

SIU looks to improve in conference play

NICK JOHNSON
Daily Egyptian

Even with the Salukis down 21-14 at halftime after giving up an early lead in Saturday's loss at Youngstown State, SIU coach Dale Lennon said he felt pretty good about their chances.

"(Our defense) actually did a pretty good job hanging in there and limiting the scoring," Lennon said. "So we just

needed to get a rhythm and ... in the third quarter we just made a couple mistakes that didn't allow us to get any type of rhythm."

Senior SIU quarterback Chris Dicker threw his second interception of the game in SIU territory in the third, and a 1-yard touchdown by YSU running back Jamaise Cook put the Penguins up 28-14.

YSU added a field goal early in the

fourth and a Saluki comeback was spoiled when senior Kyle Dougherty's second outside kick attempt went out of bounds, granting the Penguins (3-1, 1-0 MVFC) possession and a 31-28 victory in the conference opener for both teams.

After turning the ball over four times in their first conference game, Dicker said the Salukis (1-3, 0-1 MVFC) need to do their best to protect the ball when the team plays Illinois State University

to have any chance at winning their second game.

"I feel like this is a game that we gave away," Dicker said. "Don't get me wrong, they're a good team, but we killed ourselves with turnovers today. I take responsibility for that and we've just got to come out and get better."

The Salukis were also out-rushed 296 yards to 65.

SIU's turnovers constantly put its

defense in bad situations, sophomore inside linebacker Joe Okon said.

"Sometimes we responded and stopped them, and other times we didn't," Okon said. "They have two really good running backs and that was our main focus. They did a great job, their O-line did a great job, and we just ... rest today."

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VOLLEYBALL

Passing, offense struggles continue for Salukis

BRANDON LACHANCE
Daily Egyptian

Before the match against Evansville on Saturday, coach Brenda Winkler said the Salukis needed to have a winning mindset and work out the kinks in the passing game to win.

But passing continued to be a problem Saturday, while mistakes

added to another conference loss.

SIU was swept 25-23, 25-18 and 25-18 by the Evansville Aces (2-1) to make their conference record 0-3. SIU has been shut out in all three conference losses this season.

The Saluki defense played well but the offense was limited, Winkler said.

"Right now, it's the same story it has been," Winkler said. "We couldn't

pass well and our offense suffered."

SIU also had issues with mistakes while the Aces played almost flawless volleyball, Winkler said.

Evansville recorded 14 errors in the match, while SIU had 29, including 24 offense-attacking errors. The turnover differential was the key element to the Aces' win, she said.

The Saluki offense couldn't get its

middle hitters into a rhythm because of the lackluster passing game, sophomore defensive specialist Bailey Yeager said.

"We couldn't use all of our options because our passing wasn't up to par," Yeager said.

Winkler said when passing goes bad, the Salukis can only hit on the outside and the offense becomes

stagnant and predictable for the opponent's defense.

Yeager said the passing game is a key component of why the Salukis have been losing matches but every aspect of volleyball, such as receiving serves and blocking, needs to flow for a win.

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